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SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE

YEAR	WHERE HELD	BISHOP PRESIDING	SUPERINTENDENT	SECRETARY
1882			Geo. H. Adams.....	
1883	Tucson.....	E. G. Andrews.....	Geo. H. Adams.....	David McFawn
1884	Phoenix.....	Cyrus D. Foss.....	Geo. H. Adams.....	David McFawn
1885	Tucson.....	Charles H. Fowler.....	Geo. H. Adams.....	David McFawn
1886	Phoenix.....	H. W. Warren.....	Geo. H. Adams.....	David McFawn
1887	Tucson.....	John M. Walden.....	Geo. H. Adams.....	G. L. Pearson
1888	Prescott.....	Thomas Bowman.....	Geo. H. Adams.....	G. L. Pearson
1889	Phoenix.....	Randolph S. Foster.....	Geo. H. Adams.....	G. L. Pearson
1890	Tucson.....	Daniel A. Goodsell.....	Geo. F. Bovard.....	G. L. Pearson
1891	Flagstaff.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	Geo. F. Bovard.....	G. L. Pearson
1892	Prescott.....	John H. Vincent.....	Geo. F. Bovard.....	G. L. Pearson
1893	Phoenix.....	E. G. Andrews.....	Geo. F. Bovard.....	G. L. Pearson
1894	Tucson.....	James N. FitzGerald.....	Geo. F. Bovard.....	G. L. Pearson
1895	Flagstaff.....	H. W. Warren.....	Geo. F. Bovard.....	G. L. Pearson
1896	Phoenix.....	Cyrus D. Foss.....	Geo. F. Bovard.....	G. L. Pearson
1897	Phoenix.....	John P. Newman.....	S. A. Thompson.....	E. R. Foley
1898	Tucson.....	John F. Hurst.....	S. A. Thompson.....	E. R. Foley
1899	Prescott.....	William X. Ninde.....	S. A. Thompson.....	Harcourt W. Peck
1900	Phoenix.....	John W. Hamilton.....	S. A. Thompson.....	Harcourt W. Peck
1901	Tucson.....	Chas. C. McCabe.....	S. A. Thompson.....	Harcourt W. Peck
1902	Flagstaff.....	Isaac W. Joyce.....	S. A. Thompson.....	A. M. Gibbons
1903	Tempe.....	Earl Cranston.....	S. A. Thompson.....	A. M. Gibbons
1904	Prescott.....	L. B. Wilson.....	S. J. Rogers.....	A. M. Gibbons
1905	Yuma.....	J. F. Berry.....	S. J. Rogers.....	J. C. Rollins
1906	Tucson.....	David H. Moore.....	S. J. Rogers.....	Wilbur Fisk
1907	Flagstaff.....	Thomas B. Neely.....	S. J. Rogers.....	Wilbur Fisk
1908	Douglas.....	H. W. Warren.....	S. J. Rogers.....	Wilbur Fisk
1909	Phoenix.....	Edwin H. Hughes.....	S. J. Rogers.....	Wilbur Fisk
1910	Williams.....	Edwin H. Hughes.....	S. J. Rogers.....	Wilbur Fisk
1911	Mesa.....	Edwin H. Hughes.....	S. J. Rogers.....	Wilbur Fisk
1912	Bisbee.....	W. O. Shepard.....	S. J. Rogers.....	Wilbur Fisk

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Sunday Schools.—C. M. Ross, E. D. Raley, Fred Ross.

Temperance.—John M. Barnhart, Trevor Orton, Hugh Copeland.

Conference Claimants.—J. M. Rich.

Ladies Aid Society.—Hugh Copeland, T. A. Windsor, David Roberts.

Woman's Home Missionary Society and Deaconness Work.—W. L. Summers, C. G. Coulter, L. W. Wheatley.

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Resolutions.—C. W. Deming, E. D. Raley, Fred Ross.

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Adams, Mrs. Warwick Scott. Class 1914: R. S. Fisher,

C. T. Hirst, Imogen LaChance. Class 1915: Wm.

Whitfield, L. B. Christy, Mrs. S. J. Rogers.

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Fisk.

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dale, David Roberts. Class 1914: L. W. Wheatley, J.

G. Hammels, Lloyd B. Christy. Class 1915: S. J. Rog-

ers, Wilbur Fisk, Jesse Eyer and William Whitfield.

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APPOINTMENTS ARIZONA MISSION

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Charge	Name	Conference	Year
1. Benson	To be supplied		
2. Bisbee	E. G. Decker.....	S. California.....	(3)
3. Bisbee Circuit	To be supplied.....		
4. Cananea (Mex.)	To be supplied.....		
5. Chandler	To be supplied.....		
6. Douglas and Nacozari.....	J. A. Arnett.....	Oklahoma	(1)
7. Erie	Hugh Copeland (S).....	S. California	
8. Flagstaff	Robert E. Wright.....	S. California	(1)
9. Glendale	David Roberts	S. California	(1)
10. Globe	J. M. Barnhart.....	S. California	(3)
11. Hayden	A. L. Hawley.....	Columbia River	(3)
12. Jerome	To be supplied.....		
13. Kingman	C. W. Deming	Newark	(2)
14. Kingman Circuit	To be supplied.....		
15. Littleton	Wm. Whitfield (S).....	N. W. Iowa.....	(3)
16. McNeal	J. M. Rich (S).....	S. California	(3)
17. Mesa	W. L. Summers.....	S. California	(1)
18. Needles	Sprague Davis	California	(1)
19. Phoenix	Ray C. Harker.....	Rock River	(2)
	and J. L. Burcham.....	California	(2)
20. Phoenix Circuit	To be supplied.....		
21. Prescott & Jerome Jct.....	To be supplied.....		
22. San Simon			
Sulphur Spgs. Valley.....	Trevor Orton	Columbia River	(1)
23. Tempe	Wilbur Fisk	Rock River	(8)
24. Tombstone	To be supplied.....		
25. Tucson	L. W. Wheatley.....	Idaho	(4)
26. Tucson Colored	V. M. Cole.....	Texas	(7)
27. Willcox & Safford.....	T. A. Windsor.....	Oklahoma	(1)
28. Williams & Ash Fork.....	To be supplied.....		
29. Yuma	J. W. Robinson	California	(1)
30. Yuma Circuit	C. G. Coulter.....	Colorado	(1)

E. D. Raley, California Conference, Sunday School Missionary, Member Phoenix Quarterly Conference.

Fred Ross (Southern California), B. F. Davis (California), F. C. Farr (Northwest Iowa), R. S. Fisher (So. California), C. A. Housel (Columbia River), C. H. Davis (Illinois), C. H. Ocheltree (West Virginia), and J. M. Ocheltree (West Virginia), to report to their conferences.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. Who are on Trial and in Studies of the First Year?
None.
2. Who are on Trial and in Studies of the Second Year?
None.
3. Who are members of Conference and in Studies of the Third Year? None.
4. Who are members of Conference and in Studies of the Fourth Year? None.
5. What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons? None.
6. What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons? None.
7. What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders? None.
8. What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders? None.
9. Was the character of each Preacher examined? This was done as the name of each preacher was called in open session of Conference.
10. What is the Statistical Report of this year? (See Tabulated Statement).
11. What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections as shown by the Treasurer's report this year? Five thousand and ninety-three dollars.
12. Where are the preachers stationed? See List of Appointments.
13. Where shall the next Annual Meeting be held? Kingman, Arizona.

Thirty-first Annual Session of the Arizona Mission of the Methodist Epis- copal Church

FIRST DAY

Bisbee, Arizona, September 26, 1912.

Opening Services.—The Thirty-First Annual Session of the Arizona Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced on the morning of September 26, 1912, in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Bisbee, Arizona. Bishop Shepard being unavoidably detained, Superintendent S. J. Rogers took charge of the services.

Communion.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Superintendent Rogers, assisted by G. H. Adams, Wilbur Fisk and the pastor, E. G. Decker.

Roll Call.—The roll of the Mission was called by the Secretary of the last session and the following pastors responded to their names: J. Andrew Arnett, J. M. Barnhart, E. G. Decker, C. W. Deming, Wilbur Fisk, Ray C. Harker, C. H. Ocheltree, S. J. Rogers, C. M. Ross, E. D. Raley, J. W. Robinson, W. L. Summers, R. E. Wright, T. A. Windsor, V. M. Cole, and Hugh Copeland.

Organization.—The formal organization of the Mission was affected by the election of the following officers, viz: Secretary, Wilbur Fisk; Assistant Secretary, J. Andrew Arnett; Treasurer, C. M. Ross; Assistant Treasurer, C. H. Ocheltree; Statistician, R. E. Wright; Assistant Statistician, J. M. Barnhart.

Conference Bar.—The Conference Bar was fixed so as to include the first three rows of seats in the church.

Conference Minutes.—On motion, the printed minutes were made the official record of the Mission.

Standing Committees.—The Secretary read the list of standing committees and they were elected. (See list.)

Dr. G. H. Adams.—On motion of Wilbur Fisk, Dr. G. H. Adams was invited to sit within the bar of the Conference and participate in the deliberations of the meeting.

Pastoral Address.—On motion, it was ordered that the Superintendent appoint a committee to prepare a pastoral address to be read next year.

Arizona Wesleyan University.—A petition prepared by Dr. G. H. Adams was read by the Secretary, asking that the Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County exempt the property of the Arizona Wesleyan University from taxation. The petition was signed by the President of the Mission and all of the members present.

New Members and Visitors Introduced.—The following new members and visitors were introduced to the Mission: C. M. Ross, of the Southern California Conference; Ray C. Harker, of the Rock River Conference; J. W. Robinson, of the California Conference; C. H. Ocheltree, of the West Virginia Conference, and Miss Lulu I. Clifton.

Time of Adjournment was fixed at 11:45 a. m.—On motion, Hugh Copeland was elected to canvass for new subscribers to the Methodist Review.

Lecture.—On motion, J. M. Barnhart was requested to give his lecture "From Summit to Sea" at the evening session instead of at 3:00 p. m.

Pastor E. G. Decker made the announcements and the meeting adjourned.

The afternoon was occupied by the lecture on the subject "The Book We Preach," by Ray C. Harker.

The evening hour was devoted to a lecture by J. M. Barnhart.

SECOND DAY

Friday, September 27, 1912.

Devotions were led by Wilbur Fisk.

Bishop Shepard having arrived was introduced to each one present after which the Bishop took the chair and called for the reading of the minutes. They were approved.

Roll Call.—The following brethren who were absent from the previous session answered to their names: David Roberts, Fred H. Ross, L. W. Wheatley and Trevor Orton.

Committee.—Hugh Copeland was made a committee on Book Concern, Periodicals and Collections.

Dr. M. J. Trenery.—The Bishop introduced Dr. Trenery, who addressed the Mission on the work of the Sunday School Board.

Question 9?—Disciplinary question No. 9 was taken up and the character of Superintendent S. J. Rogers was passed and he read his report. The character of each of the following Effective Elders was passed and they reported their charges: E. G. Decker, W. L. Summers, R. E. Wright C. M. Ross, J. M. Barnhart, Fred H. Ross, C. W. Deming, David Roberts, Wilbur Fisk, Trevor Orton, L. W. Wheatley, V. M. Cole, J. Andrew Arnett, C. H. Ocheltree, and Ray C. Harker.

The following supplies reported their charges: J. M. Rich and Hugh Copeland.

Greetings.—On motion it was ordered that greetings be sent to the following who are sick and detained from the meeting: William Whitfield, C. G. Coulter, J. M. Ocheltree and J. L. Burcham.

Question 13 was taken up and by unanimous vote the invitation from Kingman charge was accepted as the place of meeting for the next year.

After announcements the morning session adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Trenery.

Afternoon Meeting

The anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was called to order by Miss Lulu I. Clifton. After devotions and reports Rev. Fred H. Ross spoke on the subject "Our responsibility for the World's Evangelism."

Evening Services

The evening was devoted to the anniversary of the Sunday School Board. E. D. Raley read a report of his work for the year, after which Rev. M. J. Trenery and Bishop Shepard delivered addresses.

A public reception was then tendered Bishop Shepard and the members of the Mission at which addresses of welcome were delivered by the Rev. Creighton Spencer, D. D., rector of the Episcopal Church, and Miss Carlota Moyer, Secretary of the Bisbee Y. W. C. A. Responses were made by Superintendent Rogers and Bishop Shepard.

THIRD DAY

September 28, 1912.

Devotions were led by Bishop Shepard, after which the Bishop called for the reading of the minutes and they were approved as read.

Secretary's report was read showing a balance of two dollars on hand after paying for printing the Minutes of 1911 and having had all the previous journals bound in a volume. On motion, L. W. Wheatley was appointed to collect one-third of one per cent of the cash salaries of the pastors to defray the expenses of printing the Minutes for this year.

Reports—The following committees presented their reports and they were adopted. (See reports.) Church Federation, Freedman's Aid Society, Foreign Missions and Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Conference Claimants, Bible Cause, Temperance, Woman's Home Missionary Society, Superintendents Claim, Epworth League, State of the Church, Evangelism and Education.

On motion of E. D. Raley the time was extended.

Communication.—J. M. Barnhart read a communication referring to a petition concerning the sale of intoxicating liquor in dry territory. On motion it was unanimously ordered that the Secretary sign the petition and have it forwarded to the proper authorities in Washington.

Home Mission and Church Extension.—Dr. Charles M. Boswell was introduced and addressed the meeting in the interest of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Reports.—Committee of Superintendents Claim read its report and the report was adopted.

The Auditing Committee reported accounts of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Home Mission Board, and Treasurer of the Conference Board of Stewards and all other financial reports were correct.

Resolutions.—E. D. Raley offered the following resolution, and it was adopted:

“**Resolved,** That we as ministers of the Arizona Mission enter with enthusiasm and prayer upon the Mission survey study for October and November.”

Adjourned.—On motion the Conference adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock p. m. The Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Boswell.

Evening Session

After prayer the Conference Treasurer read his report showing five thousand and ninety-three dollars as the total amount raised for benevolence this year.

The Statistician presented his report and it was adopted.

Educational Collection.—The matter of the general educational collection was referred to the Superintendent and Secretary.

The business session of the Conference adjourned and Dr. Boswell preached an inspiring sermon from Acts 8:31.

Sunday Services.

At 9:30 a. m. the Sunday School convened. Revs. David Roberts and E. D. Raley gave addresses to the school.

Rev. J. W. Robinson led the love feast.

At 11 o'clock Bishop W. O. Shepard preached an inspiring sermon from the text "Our Father."

The afternoon was devoted to a consecration service led by Bishop Shepard.

At 7:45 the Rev. C. M. Boswell addressed the Conference in the interest of the Board of Home Mission and Church Extension.

At the close of the meeting the Conference convened.

The report of the Mission Board of Home Missions and Church Extension was read by the Secretary and it was adopted. (See report.)

S. J. Rogers, Wilbur Fisk, G. H. Adams and E. D. Raley were constituted a committee to arrange a plan of campaign to secure new subscribers for the California Christian Advocate.

A committee consisting of Ray C. Harker and Wilbur Fisk was appointed to see the Corporation Commission in regard to the assessments of church corporations.

On motion, the following members were elected to constitute the following boards and commissions, viz:

Mission Board of Home Mission and Church Extension.—Superintendent, Ray C. Harker, Wilbur Fisk, C. T. Hirst and Niels Petersen.

Mission Deaconess Board of Nine.—Class 1913: S. J. Rogers, G. H. Adams, Mrs. Warwick Scott. Class 1914: R. S. Fisher, C. T. Hirst, Imogen La Chance, 1915: William Whitfield, Lloyd B. Christy and Mrs. S. J. Rogers.

Conference Board of Stewards.—S. J. Rogers, C. W. Deming and Wilbur Fisk.

Arizona Methodist Historical Commission.—G. H. Adams, S. J. Rogers and Wilbur Fisk.

The Deaconness Board of Nine presented a report concerning the work and character of the Deaconness employed within the bounds of the State. (See report.)

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by C. W. Deming. It was adopted. (See report.)

A motion was made that the Mission stand adjourned without date after the reading of the Minutes and the appointments. The motion prevailed. The Minutes were read and approved.

Bishop Shepard read the appointments and pronounced the benediction.

The foregoing is a correct copy of the Official Journal as approved by the Annual Meeting.

W. O. Shepard

Presiding Bishop.

Wilbur Fisk

Secretary.

REPORT OF ARIZONA MISSION

To Bishop Shepard and My Co-workers in the Mission:

Arizona, like all mission fields presents some difficult problems in church work.

There is such a variety of industries operated by people from all sections, with training so diversified, methods and standards so different, that organization of any kind is not easy.

The desert presents many and serious difficulties not met on the prairie or in a wooded country.

Many come here for health reasons but as a rule they are here for a short time.

The tourist, whether sick or well, is poor material with which to build a great church. More than any other institution the church is dependent on the people who stay, who have something, who are home makers and willing to accept responsibility.

Of our larger towns nine are agricultural centers with all the problems of working out a system of irrigation, eight are given to mining and smelting mainly of copper, the metal that fluctuates in price so that whole camps are in danger of closing at times or being seriously hampered on account of the low price of their only product. Six are railway centers and two are lumber camps with all the changes that come in such business. Most of these towns have large sheep and cattle interests but the stock raiser is uncertain in his dwelling place.

While there are many places where regular preaching services cannot be held, where Sunday Schools can be organized and maintained only when we can find a man or a woman who has character and leadership enough to hold the children together under all conditions. On the other hand, some of our

towns have enjoyed local booms and another church or two or three or four has been added or some zealous sectarian has multiplied churches beyond all needs and to the detriment of all Christian work, to a point where all thinking people look upon the whole unfortunate business as a farce and refuse to listen to their message.

These are some things that make the work difficult, still we are steadily growing, services are better attended than ever before, each year we have an increase in members. Sunday Schools were never before so encouraging. The Church has a larger place in the community than ever and while our benevolences may suffer this year it is largely because of debt paying and church and parsonage improvements.

We will review the charges alphabetically and throw some light on the condition of each.

Bisbee is one of our stronger charges. You will see for yourselves in the days spent here the condition of our work.

Rev. E. G. Decker is closing his second year. Last year he paid off a \$1,000 debt and put the parsonage in shape. This year he has raised \$1,000 for improvements.

The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension came to our rescue when copper was so low and money so scarce we could not pay our debts. We were compelled to pay 12 per cent on a private loan. The Church raised \$1,000 and the Board loaned us \$1,500 at 5 per cent, which is to be paid in five annual payments beginning with January 1st, 1913.

We have a good Sunday School and Epworth League with two other schools in the district, one at Don Luis, another at South Bisbee, in both of these places we have churches where Brother Decker has preached on week nights.

With copper at a good price and the Church in such excellent condition we ought to do better work than ever before.

Brother Decker has been in the Mission — years and is one of the men who has made the work what it is.

We should have a larger building for our Sunday School and for the evening congregation.

Cananea, Mexico. The trouble across the border has made our work difficult in this great changing mining camp.

Rev. W. L. Summers has done well not only among the Americans but among the Chinese.

The \$10,000 Church in which we worship is owned by the mining company, which keeps up the taxes and pays for all repairs and improvements. This year we got a much needed parsonage valued at \$2,000 by trading a small church which had been entirely abandoned by our people. The house is across the road from the church.

With the present disturbed condition it is difficult to know what to do for this great camp where there are about 500 Americans.

We need a Chinese and a Mexican Missionary to do this work well. Our few people pay \$100 a month for a pastoral support.

Douglas. Rev. Robert Wright closes his third year as pastor in this border town.

Several attempts have been made to build a parsonage here but all have failed. This year our pastor, with the help of our generous and faithful friend the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension which gave us a loan of \$1,000 actually succeeded.

It is a beautiful six room house built of white brick on our own property at a cost of about \$3,000.

All of our pastors now have parsonages excepting the one at Willcox.

The work of the year has been quite prosperous. The Sunday School is particularly strong.

The improvements on the El Paso and Southwestern Railway with large additions to the already great smelters and the agricultural development of the Sulphur Springs Valley make this one of our best cities and most attractive charges.

Chandler is a new charge in the Salt River Valley in a beautiful section watered by the Roosevelt dam.

Rev. J. L. Burcham was appointed pastor and has preached when possible. Rev. E. D. Raley, our Sunday School Missionary, organized a School and has given it careful attention.

The Company is ready to give us a deed for lots as soon as we are ready to build but so many denominations are represented it is difficult to bring them together into one organization.

The people are new settlers and have but little money.

We need a large appropriation from the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension to get our work organized here.

Erie is a country charge six miles from Douglas, organized last year by Rev. Hugh Copeland, of the California Conference, whom I am glad to say is speedily recovering his health.

We meet in a school house, have a good Sunday School and Ladies Aid Society and a faithful membership of 14, an increase of 3 over last year.

They have \$60 in a building fund and a promise of two acres when we are ready to build.

Brother Copeland has a wholesome influence in shaping the life of this new and growing community.

McNeal is 18 miles from Douglas on a new railroad surrounded by a developing farming community.

Five were received this year, making a membership of 13.

They have a Sunday School of 30 and a Ladies Aid Society.

Rev. J. M. Rich, a superannuate of the Southern California Conference, is the pastor and is doing much toward sowing and cultivating the kind of seed that produces a good and abundant harvest.

Flagstaff takes us to the northern portion of the State almost 7,000 feet above sea level, where the Northern Arizona Normal School is located with its splendid buildings and ever increasing body of students.

Our church and parsonage here are the most attractive we have.

When Rev. C. M. Ross took charge a year ago he found a debt of \$2,600 and unpaid interest on a portion of it. He has paid a note of \$1,600 on the parsonage, also \$200 and interest on a claim held by our Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Provision is made to pay the balance of \$800, which when paid, will leave our property clear.

We have a good Sunday School, Epworth League and Ladies Aid Society, but our membership has decreased during the year on account of removals.

Another church was organized and has weakened us financially.

The benevolent collections are disappointing but our people did all in their power to lift that burdensome debt and had no strength for anything else.

There was a day when our church was practically alone in many of these charges and it drew support from all regardless of denominational preference. That day is past in larger places and while we seem to be weaker financially it is because the support that came to us now goes to the newly organized church of the giver's choice.

Flagstaff is very strongly Roman Catholic.

A revival was held which was a blessing to our members. This year's work by brother Ross is of vital interest to our Flagstaff Church.

Glendale had a change of pastors during the year. Brother Davis returned to California and Rev. J. W. Robinson took his place.

Our work is in good condition, particularly the Sunday School. A revival was held.

New families are coming to this fast improving and attractive portion of the Salt River Valley. We need a new and larger building to accommodate our people and to meet the demands of a growing church.

Brother Robinson has had a good deal of experience as an evangelist and we trust he will be able to assist some of the brethren in this much needed branch of our work.

Globe reports 15 converted during the year and 30 taken into the church. The pastor has made his evening services evangelistic.

This church with its gymnasium and reading room is well equipped to care for the needs of a mining camp. We are well located in the very center of the business section.

Four hundred dollars' worth of equipment was put in the gymnasium this year. Over \$300 was spent on the church and parsonage.

The Epworth League supports a missionary in China. The free reading room is supported at a monthly cost of \$40. All benevolences will be paid in full. Aggregate 20 per cent above the apportionment.

Congregations have been good during the entire year. The boys are organized into Knights, Esquires and Pages of the Holy Grail and are held for the church by this organization. The Sunday School steadily increases in numbers and efficiency.

Rev. J. M. Barnhart is the hard working pastor and he has made a large place for himself in Globe.

With the present price of copper that has advanced from 11 cents to about 18 cents there is hope of building a Church on our valuable lot. With modern improvements we could do better work than is possible now.

We have a Sunday School at Wheatfields where Brother Barnhart preaches occasionally.

Hayden is a new smelter and mining town 100 miles east of Phoenix where 8,000 tons of low grade copper ore is handled daily.

Most of the population is Mexican, but there is a large office force and some mechanics who are interested in our services.

Rev. A. L. Hawley has preached here during the year and has organized a Sunday School.

Our people worship in a school house. The land is held by the American Mining and Smelting Company and they do not issue a deed for any purpose. They have agreed to make an exception of the Methodist Episcopal Church and have agreed to give us a lease to run as long as the property is used for church purposes.

The Company has a Mormon representation and it is not easy to get much assistance from them.

Jerome and Jerome Junction have had Rev. Fred H. Ross as pastor the past year. Brother Robinson assisted in a revival which gave good returns.

This mining camp, though strongly Roman Catholic and has a great foreign population, has become one of our best charges.

All debts are paid and pews are ordered for the church. The spiritual life steadily improves.

We are sorry to lose Brother Ross from the Mission but he is planning to do some work in the Southern California University and we wish him well.

A new town is to be built at the foot of the mountain below Jerome as soon as the new railroad is completed and promises to be as large as Jerome.

Services were held at the Junction and a class organized. We have a Sunday School here as well as in Jerome, both of which are growing.

Kingman with Rev. C. W. Deming for pastor has had a good year.

A revival in which Brother Fred Ross assisted was held.

The balance of the debt on our new parsonage, \$145, was paid. Improvements were made costing \$326 and a piano was given the Sunday School by Mr. Henry Lovin.

The Sunday School is well cared for and the Ladies Aid Society has greatly assisted the pastor in his work.

Ours is the only Protestant Church in Mohave County of which Kingman is the county seat.

We have Sunday Schools at Hackberry, Goldroads, Chloride and Catman. In some of these places the pastor preaches occasionally.

Brother Raley has assisted in caring for these schools.

Littleton is a new place 14 miles west of Phoenix in a most prosperous agricultural section. It is being settled by a fine class of people.

Rev. William Whitfield, a superannuate of the Northwest Iowa Conference is pastor and is giving his time to assist these good people in building a church.

A tract of fertile, irrigated Salt River Valley land is being divided into small places. A school house is being built.

The first building on the new town site excepting a few homes was the Methodist Episcopal Church which is completed and all paid for but about \$400. The building is of concrete blocks and is an ornament to the community.

The new town is being built on the Arizona Eastern Railway.

Brother Whitfield has accomplished a good work in the building of this country church.

Mesa where we held our last Conference is a pleasant charge in a prosperous country.

Many Mormons have settled in here but are not gaining strength as they are in some places.

We have an excellent Sunday School and each department of our work is moving along steadily.

Brother David Roberts is the faithful pastor. A revival is very much needed here.

Needles, California. Rev. F. C. Farr closes his fourth year in this prosperous railway town.

The Church year is but ten months long and although conditions and climate have scattered this population each summer and but few return in the fall still our pastor has gathered a church full of people each year.

He has good revivals and an excellent Sunday School and Epworth League.

Money has usually been in the treasury to pay every obligation before due. Benevolences are met in full and more.

During this year a much needed study costing \$500 was built and paid for.

Mrs. Farr is not well and a change is necessary. We are sorry to lose one who has worked so faithfully and accomplished so much as Brother Farr. He leaves the work in good condition for his successor.

Phoenix had a change of pastors during the year. Rev. R. S. Fisher gave up the charge early in the year and Rev. Ray C. Harker took his place the middle of February.

Congregations have been good and all the work well cared for. The Sunday School is particularly prosperous. An adult Bible class was organized called the Winner's Bible Class. There are enrolled 108 men and 70 women, the class is in two divisions and each has a large average attendance.

There is a Brotherhood of 80 members. These organizations are of great assistance to the pastor.

Brother Harker has taken in 67 members and has increased the membership to 450.

A revival is already planned for the coming year.

We have a valuable property but we need more room to accommodate our Sunday School and congregations.

Phoenix is having a remarkable growth and there is a good opportunity for our church.

We welcome Dr. Harker to the Mission and believe he will lead the Phoenix Church to great victory.

Prescott had for pastor Rev. C. H. Davis, of the Illinois Conference.

Large numbers of our people have gone from this beautiful mountain town and no one has taken their places.

They claim to be able to pay no more than \$50 per month salary.

The city is full of people. We have a good property well located and some man should be found who will do a great work here.

We have a good Sunday School and some of the choicest people.

Prescott was at one time among our strongest charges. Brother Davis is a good and successful man but he failed to do the work he felt could be done. He returns to his Conference.

Safford has always been a Mormon stronghold but is now more so than ever on account of purchasers being brought from Utah to buy out every man who wants to sell.

It is a small valley where Mormonism flourishes because no one interferes with them.

We have a valuable property with good church and parsonage. A few members remain and a Sunday School of about 60 has been maintained.

Outside of this little has been done, though Brother **Burnett** a local preacher, has done faithful and acceptable work.

The few people who are not Mormons are divided on account of the Methodist Church South coming in four years ago. They have failed and made it impossible for any one to accomplish anything.

It looks now as if that country would be given over to the Mormons as it suits them to be where there will be no interference with their method of living.

Tempe, like **Safford**, is unfortunate enough to have too many churches, though during the summer Rev. Wilbur Fisk was the only pastor left, all others having resigned.

The Arizona Normal School is here and has a large number of students.

Brother Fisk has done a good work here for seven years and he is asked to stay for the eighth.

We ought to build and hope to do so in the near future.

We have a strong Sunday School and Epworth League.

The apportionment for benevolences will be met. There are no debts.

Tombstone and much of the Sulphur Springs Valley has had for pastor the circuit rider, Trevor Orton, who has done much of his traveling on foot.

In **Eldorado, San Simon, Stronghold** and **Sulphur Springs** four newly organized agricultural communities where large numbers of homesteaders have recently settled, we have 47 members, 23 probationers and 12 baptized children with Sunday Schools in each place. At Stronghold the pastor held a remarkable revival where the whole community was stirred and 25 converted.

This tireless brother has classes in a few other points as well where he has gathered a few families and organized them for work.

We still have a few members in Tombstone and a Sunday School of 25.

This at one time was one of our strongest churches but the mines are closed and there is little left.

No man in the Mission has worked harder than Brother Orton but the returns have been encouraging. We need men who will work among these homesteaders and cattle men.

San Simon, an artesian section, is growing. We expected to have a church built here but there is some delay in getting title to the land.

In all these new places we worship in the school houses.

Tucson is one of our most attractive cities on account of the State University, beautiful homes and ideal climate.

We have a good property and have reduced the debt this year \$200.

This money we borrowed when building our new church. The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension came to our rescue at that time.

There is still a debt of \$1,400 which can be easily met.

The population of this ancient city is 75 per cent Roman Catholic.

Fifty were added to the membership, there are over 200 in the Sunday School and a strong Epworth League. Congregations are large, prayer meetings well attended.

The E. P. & S. W. Ry. is about ready to run its trains to Tucson, giving them another railroad.

Our school for Spanish girls is located here and is doing a good work.

The W. H. M. S. has erected a large and commodious building for the accommodation of the children and are caring for over 50. Many others are anxious to enter the school but there is no room for more at present.

This work should be assisted by all our churches.

Rev. L. W. Wheatley has been our pastor here for three years. He was chosen as one of the regents of the university and Chairman of the Library Committee to keep him busy.

Rev. V. M. Cole is pastor of the colored Methodist Episcopal Church here and has kept up a Sunday School and preached when there are enough colored people in the city to make a congregation.

Willcox and Benson. The latter was a part of Brother Orton's circuit but as he had a good share of this great county we joined Benson to Willcox. Brother Housel was appointed here but on account of ill health gave up the work and Rev. T. A. Windsor, a superannuate of the Oklahoma Conference, was secured for the place. He has done well with the work considering the fact that there are two other churches in the small town.

This is the only point that is without a parsonage where our work has been established for a year.

Williams and Ashfork have lost many of the old members and have taken in but few.

The Episcopalians built a parish house and some who were formerly interested with us have gone with them on account of their liberal views as to amusements. Many of these people have contributed to our work in the past and we are weakened financially.

We have a well organized Sunday School and with the few faithful members that still remain we can build up a good work here if we can but reach the railroad men and those who work in the mills.

Brother C. H. Ocheltree, of the West Virginia Conference, is the pastor.

Winslow and Holbrook have enjoyed a good year under the pastorate of Rev. J. A. Arnett. We have not had room for our flourishing Sunday School and we purchased a lot on which we hope to build soon.

This is a Santa Fe Division point and is growing steadily. It is reported that large shops are to be built here which will greatly increase the population.

All obligations will be met, benevolences will amount to \$269.00, \$75 was spent on the church.

Holbrook, where Brother Arnett preaches Monday evening, is said to be the only county seat in the United States without a church. We are about to spoil the reputation. We secured lots valued at \$400 in the best portion of the town and the pastor has raised \$1,100 on a \$1,500 building. We expected to have the church dedicated before this Conference but the building is delayed by the material not arriving on time.

This will make a good charge for a man who is not afraid of work.

Mrs. Arnett has been quite ill during the year but is slowly improving.

Yuma has had for pastor for three years Rev. C. G. Coulter. This year he has not been well and is compelled to give up the work he loves. The work is in good condition for his successor.

The government irrigation project is finally completed after seven years of waiting. Water now flows under the Colorado River through a syphon 14 feet in diameter and fills the canals that water thousands of acres of most fertile soil.

Times have been hard on account of this long wait but now people are confident that prosperity has come.

We need a strong man here and should have one in the valley as soon as possible.

S. J. ROGERS, Superintendent.

MISSION BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Board of Home Mission and Church Extension has made possible much of the success of Arizona Mission. Without its fostering care many of our cities and towns would be without the Gospel, as proclaimed by Methodists. Scarcely has a church been built within the bounds of this great State without its help, and it has given assistance to four of our best parsonages. Every charge within the Mission has at sometime in its history received aid from this Board. Therefore be it

Resolved, That we urge upon each of our pastors the importance of fully presenting the claims of this Board and see to it that our apportionments are fully met.

We recommend that Home Mission Week, November 17-24, 1912, be observed on every charge in this Mission, in order to forcefully impress every community with America's moral and religious needs.

We would also urge upon our pastors the importance of carefully guarding the loan fund wherever such loans are in force on our charges and that we see to it that the conditions of payment, both of principal and interest, be fully and promptly met.

We wish to assure the Home Mission and Church Extension Board of our high appreciation of its assistance in the past and ask that our needs be carefully studied that suitable help may be given to us to properly organize and maintain churches in the new and growing agricultural and mining districts.

We feel assured that the efforts of the Board to establish the work in rural districts is of great importance.

As members of the Board, we desire to express gratitude to Dr. Charles Boswell for his visit to our Mission, feeling as we do, that his earnest words, evangelistic spirit and brotherliness has been an inspiration to all our pastors.

WILBUR FISK.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The continued blessing of God upon the Foreign Mission work of the church is a source of profound gratitude and inspiration to all that pray and long for the coming of the Kingdom.

The reduction of appropriations to certain mission fields must not be tolerated by a church that claims to have a passion for the salvation of the world. Our church must supply the sinews of war necessary for the conquest of the nations for Christ. We must help our people to see that the mission fields of the church offer opportunities for the investment of money and of human lives that will bring returns beyond the power of mere figures to estimate.

We most earnestly and urgently call upon all our churches to give instruction concerning the great missionary enterprises of our church, and so help to produce such convictions in the hearts of our people that more adequate provision may be made for the speedy evangelization of the neglected millions.

We recommend the organization of our Sunday Schools into missionary societies, the conducting of mission study classes in the interest of a larger intelligence concerning missionary work. We recommend that sermons be preached setting forth the thrilling and inspiring facts concerning our mission fields. These will help to furnish the knowledge upon which larger giving depends.

We rejoice in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. The signal blessing of God upon the work of this organization closes our lips to any criticism and opens them to

large and hearty praise. We are glad to note that this Society is finding eager and hearty support in some of our churches in the Arizona Mission. We bespeak for it a large place in the thought and interest of all our people. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society means the uplift of the womanhood of mission lands, and this means the uplift of those nations, for as the womanhood and motherhood rise, so the nations climb.

RAY C. HARKER, Chairman.

FRED H. ROSS.

EDUCATION.

Methodism has always stood for the best things. Its relation to education is no exception to this rule. The many institutions of learning which have been planted and maintained by our beloved church offers abundant proof that education received in the atmosphere of spiritual forces is regarded as of paramount importance. In order to conserve and further the work of education the General Conference at Minneapolis greatly enlarged the scope of the work of the Board of Education, thus increasing its responsibility. The Children's Day Fund has aided twenty thousand young people to secure an education. The requirements of the Discipline with respect to both the Children's Day Fund and the fund for aiding the institutions themselves should be carefully followed out.

We would commend the work of the Rev. Thomas Nicholson, D. D., Secretary of Board of Education to the church for his great plans for and earnest efforts to promote this worthy cause.

In accordance with the action of the Mission last year instructing the Board of Directors of the Arizona Wesleyan University to inquire into the best method of utilizing the cash now in possession of the University Enterprise and the ground owned by the University Corporation in bringing about the speedy execution of the designs of the institution, the Board at its first meeting after the session of the Mission last year canvassed the situation quite thoroughly. We found that

there was a growing call among the laymen for just such an institution. A proposition came to the Board from the Deaconness Hospital Association to co-operate with the Board in a way that seemed desirable and feasible. This was to lease to the Association about one-third of the main body of the property for ninety-nine years.

The Association recognized the prior authority of the Board in the undertaking which was to include a hospital. The educational idea was made prominent in the lease as is necessary to stamp the educational idea of the whole undertaking. A training school for nurses was to be established as the first item in the co-operative work. The school was to be made self-supporting. The next item was the organization and establishment of a medical collegiate institute which was also to be self-sustaining by making up a faculty of the resident physicians of Phoenix and vicinity under the direction of a dean of the institute.

A hospital was also to be erected to furnish quarters for both schools as well as for the regular working of a hospital, making the one building serve the purpose of all three.

A lease was accordingly executed as stated and it has seemed to awaken a great interest in the realization of the plans we have long had in view. A subscription was started and six thousand dollars have been pledged.

Our Board stipulating that at least a twenty thousand dollar building should be erected not later than 1913.

Aside from the ground thus leased we have two-thirds of the main body of the land in retention for the furtherance of later university undertakings.

This leaves in our possession also four lots of fifty feet front each and one hundred and fifty feet in depth on which there is ample room for a preparatory school which is to be started in the near future. It is believed that the taxes which have heretofore been such a burden will be disposed of by the county authorities. This would leave the interest income from the loan of the two thousand dollars of the funds belonging to the University and possibly the two thousand dollars itself for the starting of the preparatory school contemplated.

The plan has been well received and we feel sure will meet with a hearty response from the public when further funds will be needed to institute this other department of the University. This would, we think, be a very promising start in the way of three schools lying at the foundation of a complete University plant within a few years to come.

It is proposed to make all three of these schools self-sustaining as the very first condition of inauguration.

We would nominate the following Board of Directors of the Arizona Wesleyan University, terms to expire 1913: G. H. Adams, Ray C. Harker, J. W. Coverdale, David Roberts.

1914: L. W. Wheatley, J. G. Hammels, Lloyd B. Christy.

1915: S. J. Rogers, Wilbur Fisk, Jesse Eyer, Wm. Whitfield.

WILBUR FISK, Chairman.

REPORT ARIZONA SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARY.

Rev. Edward D. Raley.

Bisbee, Arizona, September 26th, 1912.

To The Annual Mission Conference:

One engaged in general church work faces a two-fold perplexity when preparing a report—abundance of material and limited space. Hence, words for sentences, sentences for paragraphs.

I present my report under three heads, or from three viewpoints—the past, the present, the future. The past, or some conditions in the beginning of the work—the present, or some attempted accomplishments—the future or the possibilities.

First, in the beginning, or what I found:

Arizona, 113,000 square miles, 72,000 acres deserts, 146 mountains, valleys, farms, orchards, mines, cattle, sheep, factories, wealth, poverty, luxury, want, good, bad.

Two hundred and four thousand people, thirty thousand of them Mexicans, Indians thirty thousand, ten thousand Catho-

lics, ten thousand Mormans, but less than sixteen thousand in any way related to our Protestant Churches and Sunday Schools.

Fifty thousand school children, less than nine thousand in Sunday Schools and ten thousand not even attending any kind of day school. One hundred and sixty-six Sunday Schools of all denominations, thirty Methodist Schools and 2,800 members. Catholics, Indians and Mormons receiving more systematic and thorough religious training than the majority of the white Gentile Protestants.

Vast areas unpopulated, immense distances from one church town to another, few railroads, and many people living in isolated, impossible places, so remote from each other that no service is possible. The results of old Western conditions in spiritual atrophy, unconcerned indifference, forgetfulness, moral stupor, selfishness, greed, sin. This too in the young as well as in the old pioneer and the fresh young Easterner, all inoculated, poisoned, captured, hopeless.

In our cities and towns: Saloons, gambling, drunkenness, prostitution, murders frequent (in one town one a month), lawlessness condoned and connived in by corrupt officers, pool halls where children congregate, cigar stands where young men start downward, dance halls where our girls are ruined, picture shows with vicious pictures, Sabbath desecration in every form, from funerals, lodge meetings, pic-nics, dances, band concerts, political meetings and wild-west shows.

Churches and Sunday Schools merely an eddy, or a drift, with little power to check or turn the tide, ministers tolerated because convenient for funerals, parents listless, unresponsive, with no conception of the importance of religious training for their children. Some of the Sunday Schools of all denominations content to drone along in outgrown grooves. Irregular attendance, uncertain time of opening, vapid program, unprepared teachers, listless, tactless efforts to interest and hold the boys, few adult classes. Even some of our churches hauteur, selfish, smug, unsympathetic, unaroused to the importance of the Sunday School. The pastors, some of them manifested a

splendid interest. Some might improve their interest. School building and equipment inadequate and out of date.

On the whole, the Sunday School condition, generally speaking, was sluggish, conservative, hide-bound with traditions and customs, groping in the gloom theologically, the uniform lesson system adhered to for the infant and the adult, practically no teacher-training classes. Few maps, charts or other paraphernalia to assist the teacher.

On the other hand, we found some pastors, officers and teachers praying, working and hoping for a better day in the Sunday School. True apostolic successors to Melchisedek, Moses and Ezra. All honor for these faithful ones. They have been the leaven during all these years.

In the second place, a few of the things we have tried to accomplish: The situation studied, books read, statistics compared, the towns, camps and isolated regions visited, numbers in and out of the schools noted, where and why success or failure. Preached, lectured, scolded, exhorted. Held institutes and teacher training classes, organized twenty-eight new schools and tried to keep them going, succeeded with half of them, gave away five thousand pieces of literature, urged new hymn-books, graded literature, teacher-training, adult classes, books, Bibles for schools, traveled two thousand miles each month, averaged two hundred calls each month, collected money for the cause, slept on trains, on the ground, on floors, tables, chairs, often in bed, ate whenever I could get anything, was treated royally by ministers and laymen, had a good time.

In a secondary sense: The achievements are, better atmosphere, higher ideals, definite purposes, activity, enthusiasm, co-operation, plans, visions, vigor, responsiveness, preparation. A realization of new duties, enlisting new workers, some teacher training work, more books read, cradle rolls, home departments, adult classes, special boys' work, elimination of many outgrown methods, children given a better training in Bible and Church doctrines, some brought into the Church, a deepening consciousness of the child needs, a new vision of Arizona by many, with its peculiar problems and wonderful prospects.

In the third place: Our dream, our possibility, our task.

We are living in a new world, this is a new day, a new era, with new people and new problems. Very like the old, but new. We are too busy for anything that will not meet the needs. The Church cannot afford to be impracticable. It should not be content with the slow progress evident in many lines of activity.

Christianity is galvanic life, ever readjusting to new conditions, moving onward and outward.

We therefore believe that the modern Sunday School is an adjusting medium between Christianity and the needs of the age, superior to any tried department of the Church.

The sincere reformer is furiously looking the facts squarely in the face. So must we in the Church. To this end we must give up, prune away, abandon, tear from our very beings any and all notions, traditions, theories, theologies, prejudices, even convictions, that the cause may prosper.

In 1883 Bishop Bowman called the first session of the Conference to order. Six churches were represented with 143 members; nine Sunday Schools with 580 members. I have followed the record for twenty-nine years. The growth was slow, an average of only sixty-five church members each year and in the Sunday School eighty additions each year.

I have looked over the list of names of the men who have been the pastors in this Conference. Some of them I know and some I do not. We thank them for their splendid work. We have entered into their labors. And yet it is not the past that concerns us today but the future, and we believe it is a future for the Sunday School to help the Church of Jesus Christ succeed as never before. We again call attention to the fact that the church would today be decreasing in numbers but for the Sunday School. May we have more revivals and better evangelists in Arizona than ever before, but may we not forget that the twelve million Sunday School scholars in the United States or the forty thousand children in Arizona out of the Church, confronts us with an opportunity and a duty.

An Episcopal Bishop recently made the statement that if he were given the choice of pastorate over a small Sunday School or a large church he would unhesitatingly take the small Sunday School.

John Wanamaker, who conducts the most successful Sunday School in the world, says that the Sunday School can most nearly approach the ideal in the elimination of waste in Church work.

We are in the dawn of an awakening consciousness of pastors, churches and Sunday Schools, to the fact that the harvest is now white, that today we must thrust in the sickle, that this is the time of salvation for child and church, that a portion of the new evangelism may find its opportunity in child conversation, and that no amount of time, preparation or sacrifice is too great for the hoped-for achievement, that our future in citizenship, homes and families, churches, morals, depends tremendously upon how thoroughly we do our Sunday School work today, that more and more are we learning to depend upon the personal work of the pastor and teacher in affecting results.

So we should get a vision of the child, that we may train him up in the way he should go, and see to it that no one harms one of these little ones, but from youth up to train them in the Scriptures, as Timothy, with a clear conviction that the Sunday School can never become universally and permanently successful, until all the Church and all of the parents are aroused to the mighty importance of this child work.

We are also to grasp the fact that the universal study of the Bible and the translation of the knowledge of the Bible into practical righteousness, to the end that the development of Christian character and the bringing of all into the Kingdom may ever be the chief aim of the Sunday School. Thus may we hope, pray and work.

Shall we not immediately set out for one hundred Methodist Sunday Schools, six thousand members, cradle-roll, home department, teacher training, organized classes and adult classes in every school, new Sunday School buildings, modern equip-

ment, as many boys as girls in each school where now we have two girls to every boy, as many men as women teachers where now we have four women to every man teacher. Sunday School Institutes quarterly in each school, the graded literature and our new hymn-book in each school, all the church in the Sunday School and all the Sunday School attending church, our children baptized, trained and brought into the church from week to week, Children's Day, Rally Day and all other opportune special occasions observed by program.

In a word, this: Arizona, her people, the future. God is here, the Church of Christ is here, our opportunity is here. May God give vision and vitality to each of us.

Permit me in closing to express my sincere appreciation of all courtesies and favors from pastors, their families and people. They have wonderfully helped me in my work. I shall never forget them, nor do I forget the many strangers and outside friends who have assisted in many ways. I am also glad to mention the assistance rendered by the railroads. Much of my travel would necessarily have to be eliminated but for the courtesies of all the railroads.

BIBLE CAUSE.

The inestimable blessings which the Bible has conferred upon the world in general fully warrants us in upholding it as the book of books.

Its position, as a potential factor in saving the world, places it without a worthy rival at the head of all literature. Today, as of old, it bears the sunshine of divine promises to weary souls, as a record of divine truth it stands alone and still commands the deep respect of rulers and people. Today it is "The sword of the spirit."

Hence; be it resolved, That we as ministers of the gospel of Jesus Christ, pledge ourselves to a closer study of the Bible, and further to renew our efforts to stimulate the minds of our respective congregations along similar lines; also to see to it that no home within the border of our field of labor is without a Bible, as it stands today the beacon light of hope to a sinful world.

DAVID ROBERTS.

EVANGELISM.

The first and urgent need of our work in Arizona is a plan of evangelism that will prove effective. Many of our people have lost the sense of God, both in their experience and in the church, consequently the unsaved are unconcerned in their lost condition.

Your committee recommends that our Bishop appoint one of our number as Conference Evangelist, and that he together with the Superintendent and Committee on Evangelism plan a systematic campaign of evangelism for the whole mission.

J. WESLEY ROBINSON.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Through the splendid efforts of the loyal bands of the Woman's Home Missionary Society the equipment of the industrial school at Tucson is becoming more and more thorough, thus the efficiency of the institution is enhanced. Rooms have been beautified and made comfortable by their untiring labors and generosity. Their work of love for God and His needy ones continue as evidenced by their continued help of the Yuma Indian and assistance of our pastors on the frontier. The W. H. M. S. has made possible the remaining on the field of many Methodist pastors in the past and giving the gospel to those who otherwise would have been without.

We commend their representatives to our churches.

The auxiliaries in the Mission are doing excellent service and are worthy our highest commendation.

Deaconess Work.

Since January there have been three deaconesses in the field, two doing hospital work at the Phoenix, one visiting among the various churches of the Mission, proving themselves here as always angels of mercy and blessing.

L. W. WHEATLEY,
W. L. SUMMERS.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

In its purpose to save the lost, promulgate the teachings and diffuse the spirit of Christ, the church ever remains the same.

It changes, however, in its polity administrative rules and methods of work, the better to meet the needs of men under modified economic, industrial, social and religious conditions.

It will ever be the first duty of the church to preach salvation to the individual, but to this must be added the social message of the Gospel in order to arouse the whole church to a sense of its social obligation and opportunity.

We urge our ministers, bishops, district superintendents to a patient study of the social problems of the day and to a fearless, judicious preaching of the ethics of Jesus in their application to modern life.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The Epworth League is the training school for the future workers and leaders of Methodism. The young people are trained in practical service as well as a vital religious experience.

Our Epworth Leaguers are fishers of men and their organization is a net in which to catch the young people and prevent them from drifting into worldly life and save them for the Kingdom.

As pastors let us do all we can to increase the usefulness of this society and help it to be and work in complete sympathy with the church.

The Leaguers in close touch with the church push forward mightily its work, while any which do not stand by the services of the church scatters abroad and greatly hinders the salvation of men.

JOHN M. BARNHART.
J. ANDREW ARNETT.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We hold the Sunday School to be the most important single department of the church. Through its channels flow those fresh strains of life that supply 80 per cent of our membership, 90 per cent of our working force, and 95 per cent of our ministry. Yet the Sunday School is not independent of but subject to the supervision and fostering care of the church. We therefore commend the interests of the Sunday School to the most studious and prayerful consideration of our pastors and people.

We commend to your loyal support our Board of Sunday Schools. Let us help them financially in their great mission which reaches both home and foreign lands, and let us heed their counsels as to methods which are intended to promote greater efficiency in our larger schools.

We endorse the Board's representative in Arizona, our esteemed brother Rev. E. D. Raley. He is zealous, efficient and fraternal. The interests of our schools have been well served during the past year. We suggest a studious reading of his report.

The new graded lessons challenge the attention of all our Sunday School workers. They may not be the final word in Sunday School systems and may not seem adapted to some schools, but the fact that the series is presented by a committee of some of the most efficient modern Sunday School workers as an adaptation of the teachings of the sacred Scripture to the psychological development of the child, commends them to our careful consideration.

We believe the true objective of the Sunday School is soul-winning and Christian character building. Though the Sunday School has been the chief recruiting ground for the church we have lost such a large per cent of our enrollment as to be a matter of sorrow if not censuer. Only about 40 per cent of the total Sunday School enrollment is saved to the church. We must so bring the lives of our children, during their formative period, to our Christ that he shall give to them eternal life and raise them up with himself at the last day. To this end we urge studious and prayerful decision day efforts, also that the

Sunday School opportunity be considered in evangelistic efforts. We call on the church to dedicate her best to the work of the Sunday School and on these workers to seek through the baptism of the Holy Ghost the soul winning power. Forty thousand are now enrolled in our Arizona Sunday Schools. Many of them stand at the parting of the ways and only require a godly man or woman of right understanding to lead them into the Kingdom. We pray that the forthcoming year may be fruitful with harvests from our Arizona Sunday Schools.

C. M. ROSS.

BOOK CONCERN AND PERIODICALS.

The last General Conference took steps in Book Concern management looking to an even greater work than in the past.

As Methodists we should ever keep before us the achievements of the past and the future possibilities in department of our beloved church.

Ours is the largest publishing house in the world. The annual sales aggregate two million dollars while two hundred thousand dollars is the annual dividend turned over to the superannuated ministers.

A superior line of books on many subjects is now being turned out by our publishers. Our Hymnals, disciplines, doctrinal books and Sunday School and other literature is not surpassed anywhere.

We would especially emphasize the importance of all our pastors urging the sale and use of the New Discipline, the Sunday School Hymn Book, the California Christian Advocate and the new graded Sunday School literature.

EDWARD D. RALEY.

Bisbee, Arizona, September 27, 1912.

We the representatives of the Deaconess Board of Nine, of the Arizona Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, recommend the renewal of the licenses of Miss Lula I. Clifton

and Miss Manilla Williams and we cheerfully commend the work of Miss Florence Mahin.

S. J. ROGERS.

G. H. ADAMS.

FEDERATION.

The principals and aims of Church Federation have been disseminated more extensively in Arizona during the past year, than ever before. Most of the leading denominations are arriving at the view-point of the few pioneers in the work.

Ministers and laymen are studying the problem with gratifying results. Two meetings of the Federation were held during the year. At these meetings the members of the Committee considered the various needs and prospects along Federation lines. There was a unanimous opinion that Protestantism must more wisely and economically carry on its work and administer the denominational missionary moneys, as well as prevent the waste and overlapping of efforts in so many parts of the State.

The work of the Committee centered chiefly around two points: the overchurched towns and the unchurched territory. The most pronounced cases of overchurched towns were considered, and action was taken in several cases recommending exchange or combination, this action to be sanctioned by the denominations involved at their first annual meeting. The unchurched territory was districted and assignments made to the seven denominations represented in the Federation, in accordance with the best judgment of the Committee, modified by the mutual agreement of the denominations affected.

Inasmuch as our church has been from the first an enthusiastic promoter of federation principles, therefore we recommend that we as a Conference go on record as being in hearty sympathy with the plans and aims of the Federation, and will co-operate in every possible way in fostering federation in Arizona, believing that in so doing we will greatly strengthen the work of Christ's Kingdom.

EDWARD D. RALEY.

TEMPERANCE.

We should teach both temperance and total abstinence; temperance in all things beneficial—in work, in recreation, in amusements, in all physical desires; total abstinence in all things harmful to muscle, mind or morals.

The habit of drinking intoxicating liquors as a beverage is demoralizing; it becomes more prevalent and ought to be tabooed as a social custom and accomplishment.

The saloon is a perfect incubator of crime; a breeder of vice and disease; a corruptor of the manhood and morals of our youth; foe to advancement of labor's cause; a destroyer of the wealth, health and happiness of our people; an enthusiastic exhibitor of the American Flag and yet an insidious and flagrant violator of the law, therefore a constant hindrance to the industrial, economic, social and moral development of the nation.

We deplore the fact that our government is in league with the saloon.

We are unalterably opposed to the liquor traffic and will encourage our people to fight it through temperance organizations and the church.

We rejoice that the last General Conference appropriated \$50,000 to back up its excellent temperance resolutions.

When only one tenth of the 40,000,000 church members of our land get aroused and apply the same degree of moral courage, sagacity and zeal that the Chinese exhibit in their war against opium the saloon will be abolished in a few years. Let us shout the slogan "The Saloon Must Go!"

JOHN M. BARNHART.

TREVOR ORTON.

HUGH COPELAND.

LADIES AID SOCIETY.

The inspiring genius of woman has been felt in every laudable enterprise, and in no branch of activity for the benefit of humanity have her powers been more fully illustrated than in

the work of the Ladies Aid Society which has become a great social, financial and spiritual force in our church. These self-sacrificing Christian women are like their divine master, ever doing good. They care for the parsonage and its furniture; they visit the sick and the strangers in the community; and they contribute largely to the pastor's salary.

Twelve of our Ladies Aid Societies during the Conference year have raised \$2,710. But this report is incomplete, therefore we recommend a Conference Board of Ladies Aid Society, that there may be more perfect report of this great work.

HUGH COPELAND.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

We note with great satisfaction the efforts of the Board of Conference Claimants to maintain and increase the established fund for the benefit of future claimants on the Arizona Mission, and we would earnestly urge the brothers of the Conference to special efforts in their respective charges to secure donations to this permanent fund.

J. M. RICH.

FREEDMAN'S AID.

Fifty years ago President Lincoln issued the proclamation which emancipated the black slaves of the South.

Soon after this, in 1866, the Freedmans Aid Society was organized by the Methodist Church to do for the negro industrially, intellectually and religiously what had already been done for him politically. From that time until now, with varying success, the work has gone on until today there are 52 schools of various grades. From the well equipped university to the village academy with its limited resources, where five hundred teachers are giving instruction to 6,620 of the choicest colored young men and women of the South in every form of industrial, intellectual and moral preparation for right living.

We pledge ourselves to stand by this noble work and seek to continue what has been so well begun.

C. H. OCHELTREE.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was held on Friday afternoon, Miss Lula Clifton presiding.

The Secretary's report showed that Phoenix, Winslow and Glendale had organizations while several other churches made contributions. The apportionment of \$250 was more than paid and \$300 taken for the coming year.

Rev. Fred Ross gave a most helpful address on "Our Responsibility in the Evangelization of the World."

The offering amounted to \$6.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the visit of Bishop Wm. O. Shephard has been an inspiration and delight. His address and sermon have refreshed and strengthened us. His administration regarding the work has been wise, regarding the pastors, brotherly and kind.

Resolved, That the addresses delivered by Bros. Harker, Barnhart, Fred Ross, Trenery and Boswell were greatly appreciated.

Resolved, That we express our grateful appreciation for the service of our Secretary, Treasurer, Statistician and their assistants.

Resolved, That we extend our sincere thanks to the men of Bisbee who so kindly conducted us through the mines and conveyed us by automobile over the hills and through the valleys East and South of Bisbee.

Resolved, That we are very grateful to the Rev. E. G. Decker, our genial host, and to his hospitable people who have so generously provided for our entertainment and comfort. We pray that the richest blessings may rest upon and abide with them.

Resolved, That we express our gratitude to the Bank of Bisbee for favors granted to our Conference Treasurer.

C. W. DEMING.

**REPORT OF TREASURER FOR PACIFIC BRANCH
WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
FOR ARIZONA MISSION.**

	Auxiliaries	Y. P.	R. H.	Total
Phoenix	\$176.00	\$49.00	\$30.00	\$255.00
Winslow	53.00	"	"	53.00
Glendale	16.00	"	"	16.00
Needles	10.00	"	"	10.00
Douglas	8.00	"	"	8.00
Tucson	6.00	"	"	6.00
Miscellaneous collection from Mrs. Brand.....				7.00

MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE, Branch Treasurer.

**REPORT OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SO-
CIETY OF THE ARIZONA MISSION 1911-12.**

We have three active auxiliaries in Arizona: Phoenix, Glendale and Winslow. Tucson, Needles and Douglas contributed this year, although there are no organizations at these places.

There is a prosperous Young Woman's Missionary Circle and a King's Heralds Band in Phoenix, and each supports a child in India. The Intermediate League also contributed \$20 for a scholarship in India. Two Bible Women spend their time teaching the Word to their heathen sisters, because two Phoenix women make it possible for them to do so. Last year Arizona accepted an appropriation of \$250.00 and more than raised it. For the year just closing we tremblingly accepted \$300.00 appropriation and this obligation was more than met. Looking back over the years as they come and go, we feel that the financial outlook at each year's beginning has less to do with the results than we often suppose, so we will trust the Lord and go forward.

MRS. S. J. ROGERS,
Corresponding Secretary.

AUDITING.

The Auditing Committee has carefully examined the account of the Conference Secretary, the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Stewards, the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension and find them to be correct.

L. W. WHEATLEY.

REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

Sept. 26.	Amt. on hand at last report.....	\$446.72
Sept. 28.	Recd. from chartered fund.....	30.00
Sept. 28.	Recd. from Conference Treasurer.....	22.00
	Total cash in hand.....	<u>\$498.72</u>

WILBUR FISK, Secretary-Treasurer.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CLAIM.

Bisbee	\$70.00
Benson	20.00
Cananea	60.00
Chandler	20.00
Douglas	60.00
Erie	10.00
Flagstaff	60.00
Glendale	30.00
Globe	75.00
Hayden	10.00
Jerome	50.00
Kingman	50.00
Littleton	10.00
McNeal	10.00
Mesa	50.00
Needles, Calif.	55.00
Phoenix	150.00
Prescott	25.00
Safford	10.00
Tempe	55.00
Tombstone	10.00
Tucson	65.00
Williams	50.00
Winslow	50.00
Willcox	30.00
Yuma	50.00
	<u>\$1,135.00</u>

L. W. WHEATLEY,

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

Benson	\$400.00
Cananea	125.00
Chandler	100.00
Douglas	200.00
Erie	150.00
Flagstaff	250.00
Glendale	300.00
Hayden	400.00
Jerome	200.00
Kingman	250.00
Littleton	300.00
Mesa	200.00
McNeal	200.00
Needles	250.00
Prescott	300.00
Safford	150.00
Sulphur Springs Valley	300.00
Tempe	175.00
Willcox	300.00
Williams	250.00
Winslow	200.00
Yuma	200.00
Mission	1,300.00
Total.....	\$6,500.00

New Work.

Kingman Circuit	\$300.00
Phoenix Circuit	150.00
San Simon	150.00
Total.....	\$600.00

Phoenix, Arizona, September 16, 1912.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER W. H. M. S.

Society	Cash	Supplies	Total
Phoenix	\$240.50	\$50.00	
Mesa	143.45		
Tucson	118.10		
Bisbee	90.40	5.10	
Glendale	43.95		
Douglas	10.85		
Cananea	3.00		
	<u>\$650.25</u>	\$55.10	\$705.35

Respectfully submitted

MRS. JAMES ALDRICH.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Once more we come together to celebrate the Anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Some of the Auxiliaries have had the best year of their history. Others have scarcely been able to maintain a Society while still others have had to disband entirely because of lack of interest and leadership. We do need more interested pastors and pastors' wives. If we could arouse the women of our Mission to their responsibility in the great work of saving humanity, we should have an auxiliary in every charge before the year is over. What woman who is not able to give two cents a week and a prayer?

Bisbee, Phoenix and Mesa have done exceedingly well.

Our Tucson Home is doing a work for our Mexican girls the harvest of which cannot be foretold. Its work is only limited because of the limited accommodations.

We now have six Auxiliaries, one less than last year—a membership of 186—1 Young Ladies' Circle, 55 Mothers' Jewels. There are 35 subscribers to Women's Home Missions. Let us increase that. May we not strive to have that paper reach every member.

We have many discouragements, Dear Sisters, but let us press forward, praying for more faith, remembering that whatever done in the name of the Lord is not in vain.

MRS. ROBERT E. WRIGHT,
Corresponding Secretary.

WOMEN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Anniversary of this Society was held on Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Robert E. Wright presiding. The meeting was well attended by the ladies of the Bisbee Church and by the ministers. Mrs. L. G. Harris told in an interesting manner of the work of our Spanish Industrial School at Tucson. Rev. Dr. C. M. Boswell gave the address of the afternoon. He spoke of the great value of the work of the Home Missionary Society and of women's work in general. He made a plea to the pastors to be more interested.

A collection was taken amounting to \$9, which was appropriated to Mrs. Harris to apply on the dining room chairs at the Home.

The annual business session was held immediately following the Anniversary. Mrs. Robert Wright presided.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President, Mrs. S. J. Rogers, Phoenix; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. J. L. Waring, Mesa; Mrs. J. G. Hammels, Glendale; Mrs. David Perry, Bisbee; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Magnes Mainland, Bisbee; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Robert E. Wright, Flagstaff; Treasurer, Mrs. James Aldrich, 708 North Fifth Street, Phoenix; Secretary of Literature and Mite-boxes, Miss Mary Batten, Phoenix; Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. James Aldrich; Secretary of Systematic Beneficence, Mrs. Robert Longmore, Mesa; Secretary of Young People's Work, Mrs. J. A. Arnett, Winslow; Conference Organizer, Mrs. L. G. Harris.

Collection \$8.00.

It was moved and carried to send the same to pay on the dining room chairs for the Industrial Home at Tucson.

MRS. MAGNUS MAINLAND, Sec.

General Instructions.

Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries should send all reports to Mrs. Robert E. Wright, Flagstaff, Arizona, December 15th, March 15th, June 15th, and September 15th.

No Auxiliary can receive cash credit for money which does not pass through the Treasurer's hands.

All cash spent for supplies is reported with supplies, and does not appear on the Treasurer's book.

Send subscriptions for Woman's Home Mission and Children's Home Mission papers to Miss Belle Evans, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Any Auxiliary sending Miss Mary Belle Evans \$1 will receive enough literature to furnish interesting programs for the year.

STATISTICS NO. 1—ARIZONA MISSION CONFERENCE FOR 1912.

NAMES OF CHARGES	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS				EPWORTH LEAGUES				CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	Number of Probation-ers	Number of Full Mem-bers	Number of Local Preachers	Number of Deaths....	Number of Children Baptized	Number of Adults Baptized	Number of Schools...	Number of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars, including Cradle Roll and Home Department.	Number of Senior Chapters	Number of Members.	Number of Junior Chapters.....	Number of Members..	Number of Churches	Probable Value....	Number of Parson-ages	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebt-edness on Church Property	Present Indebtedness on Church Property
Bisbee Circuit.....	1	160		3	14	2	3	20	175	1				3	\$8000	1	\$2000	\$1502		\$1500
Bisbee Circuit.....	5	15				2	1	3	27					1	8000	1	4200	3102		1000
Cananea.....																				
Chandler.....	1	103	1			2	1	19	185	1	20									
Douglas.....	1	107						5	12											
Eric.....		92					1	15	160	1	56	1	12	1	16000	1	4000	1200	1875	900
Flagstaff.....		89	1		2		2	15	165					1	2500	1	1200	100		
Globe.....		131	3	1	10	2	3	25	185	1	78			1	15000	1	3500	450		
Hayden.....		8			2		1	4	32					1	8500	1	2000	300	80	
Jerome.....	3	60	1		4		2	23	185	1	20			1	5000	1	350	350	100	
Kingman.....		80	1		2	1	5	30	180					1	8000			2000		
Littleton.....		34			1		1	7	40					1						
McNeal.....		13			2	2	1	8	35											1000
Mesa.....																				
Needles.....	1	83			5		1	16	135	1	39	1	30	1	3500	1	1250	500		
Phoenix.....	10	450		4	5	6	3	36	464	1	65	1	40	1	80000	1	50,000	500		5000
Prescott.....																				
Rodeo and Apache.....																				
Safford.....		15					1	7	76					1	1500	1	1500	273		
Tempe.....	4	86				4		13	159	1	45			1	3500	1	1500			
Tombstone.....	24	65		1	10	9	6	30	132	1	8									
Tucson.....	4	190		2	4	5	1	17	210	1	35			1	18000	1	6000	50	200	1400
Tucson Colored.....		7					1	6	20											
Wilcox and Pierce.....		45					6	12	65					2	3500		5	5	100	53
Winslow and Holbrook.....	1	61	1		1		2	21	183	1	20	1	55	2	4100	1	2200	1500	15	
Williams.....		17			6		2	15	120	1	9			2	480	1	1000	8		
Yuma.....		74					2	20	120		48			2	7500	1	2000	40		
Totals 1912.....	65	1993	8	18	80	36	51	401	3312	14	464	4	137	27	169900	18	46350	10662	5470	10853
Totals 1911.....	37	1895	8	16	119	60	37	350	3097	15	524	5	116	26	169800	17	41500	10621	3100	11775
Increase.....																				
Decrease.....	22	98		3	39		14	51	215		60	1	21	1	100	1	4850	6281	2370	922

TREASURER'S REPORT. ARIZONA MISSION. 1912.

NAME OF CHARGES	MISSIONS				BOARD OF EDUCATION				Board of Sunday Schools	BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS				Freedmen's Aid Society	American Bible Society		
	Board of Foreign Missions		Board of Home Mtr. and Ch. Ex.		General Education.....		Children's Fund..			Connectional Fund		Permanent Fund					
	Cash	Vouch.	Cash	Vouch.	Cash	Vouch.	Cash	Vouch.		Cash	Vouch.	Cash	Vouch.				
Bisbee.....	50	5	60					10		8			3		2		
Bisbee Circuit.....		47	50		2			15		15			10		4		
Cananea.....																	
Chandler.....	10	20	30	20			10		8								
Douglas.....	2		2														
Erie.....	18	10	18	10	1			2	8	1			3		3		
Flagstaff.....	54		64		5		4		17	10			8				
Glendale.....	79	100	89	40	3				30		10		12		5		
Globe.....																	
Hayden.....	23	28	51		2		2	20	5	5			10		4		
Jerome.....	45		45		5			10	24	5			10		5		
Kingman.....	10		15						2								
Littleton.....	10		11		1		1		1						1		
McNeal.....	73		73		2				11		10		5		2		
Mesa.....	30	75	30	75		3	5		15		10			15			
Needles.....	160	90	250		10		5	30		25			15		10		
Phoenix.....			23						6								
Prescott.....																	
Rodeo and Apache.....																	
Safford.....																	
Tempe.....	66		66		3		3	2	3	10			10			2	
Tombstone.....	12		12		3		5	8		10			2		1		
Tucson.....	88		95		5		5		18	5			12		2		
Tucson (Colored).....	3		3		1				1								
Willcox and Benson.....	29		30		1				22			3	10		3		
Winslow and Holbrook.....	68		75		4			9	13	10	6		14		10		
Williams.....	28		27		3				17	2			8		1	2	
Yuma.....	55	20	50		3			10	8	5			10		2		
TOTALS.....	913	395	1156	145	54	3	2	15	117	204	82	55	9	132	27	55	12

TREASURER'S REPORT--Continued

RECAPITULATION									
Total Cash and Vouchers	Total Vouchers	Total Cash....	Episcopal Fund		Central Office Expenses of Epworth League		General Conference Expenses		Support of Conference Claimants (Local)
			Vouch.	Cash	Vouch.	Cash	Vouch.	Cash	Vouch.
239	101	188	15	1	1	5	2	12	12
170	65	105	10	2	4	2	5	5	5
140	98	42	9	8	1	5	1	3	3
4	36	4	8	4	2	5	10	5	5
88	92	154	16	4	3	25	2	2	2
246	262	185	15	1	3	4	3	4	4
447									
163	28	135	5	12	3	5	5	5	5
191	51	140	1	5	8	1	10	5	5
27	2	25	8	1	2	3	2	2	2
29		29	15	8	3	4	3	3	3
342	164	178	35	3	3	25	5	5	5
34	271	70							
1349	789	560							
40	20	20							
186	5	181							
52	12	40							
371	143	229							
8		8							
103	22	31							
286	67	219							
100	18	81							
171	28	143							
5.98	2274	2819	31	169	17	38	37	22	22

MEMORANDUM

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This year \$250,000 is the amount which the Book Concern considers it wise and safe to set aside for the Conferences, and it means \$13.53 per man to all the members of all the Conferences in all the Methodist world.

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